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Mother Gone Home

Home is the central telephone station from which radiates the wires to all stations on the lines of love. Though ten thousand miles separate the inmates no power is strong enough to break connection with "central." Neither time, age, or death can break its hold upon the human heart. Home is the parent's empire and childhood's paradise on earth. To the inmates of Eden paradise was home, but to all ages since home has been paradise.

The home not founded and fostered in the spirit of prayer lacks that much of being ideal. Ideal homes are God-guided.

We may forget our inventors, our statesmen, our warriors, our philosophers and even our preachers and live, but to forget mother and home is sure death to both church and state.

Climate and geographical location has no more to do with vegetation than has the atmosphere of the home with the young child's life. By far the strongest agency in the home for the development of a well rounded symmetrical character, is the Mother. "What is home without mother?"

Two of our citizens, W. I. and John Luikart, left Tuesday afternoon for Altus Oklahoma, in response to a telegram announcing the serious illness of their mother. At 7:30 p. m. that evening, and before the boys—her boys—could reach her, the spirit of this saintly woman took its flight to "the home over there." If this mother had done no more than give to the world two such splendid men as W. I. Luikart and John Luikart, her life would not have been spent in vain.

The News extends condolence to the bereaved ones in this dark hour.

Little Mary Mason Dead

Mary Mason, the four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Mason, died Sunday evening about 7 o'clock, after only a few hours illness, with acute indigestion. She became ill about four o'clock, later had convulsions and did not regain consciousness before passing away.

Little Mary was a beautiful child, with a lovable disposition, and naturally made her own friends wherever she went. The numerous floral tributes testified to the love in which the little girl was held, and the esteem for her family.

Funeral services were conducted at the family residence, by Rev. Reece, pastor of the Baptist church. Interment was made at 10 o'clock Monday morning at Clovis cemetery. Magic City Undertakers having charge. Besides her parents she leaves her brother Howard and sister Helen to mourn her early demise.

"This lovely bud, so young, so fair
Called hence by early doom
Just came to show how sweet a flower,
In Paradise would bloom."

Banks Up-to-Date

The First National Bank, in keeping with its record of up-to-dateness, has installed a Burroughs bookkeeping machine. This the Clovis National Bank had already done. Just one more illustration that the Clovis banks are abreast of the times and are keeping pace with the growth of our city and country.

Some on Figures

We once heard of a colored youth who was an exceptionally bright mathematician. It is said that he had "figerd" clear thru multiplication, addition, subtraction, division, creation and abomination.

That youth didn't have one M. J. Carr, of Santa Fe, bested much we opine. Mr. Carr paid the News office a visit Wednesday, and after paying his respects to the gentle sighing zephyrs which have been fanning our cheeks, and incidentally pitching a wee bit of sand promiscuously around, for a few days, told us "prezactly" how many million of miles the wind has blown the past twenty-four hours, how many tons of sand it had lifted, how many farms it had blown into kingdom come, and exact hour at which the wind begins here in Clovis each mornig.

That was not all this gentleman of Santa Fe said. This is the other thing: "You have a lively little city here. It will be the second or third city in the State some day." Sure Mike, we know it. Come to Clovis.

Danger Signals

Red signifies danger. It may get you out of trouble, or it may get you into trouble. That depends. Shake a red flag in the face of a mad bull and you will want to take to the timbers instant. Heed not the little red flags hanging on the ends of iron rods stuck in the ground up and down Main Street and you will get into trouble. Pay these flags your kind respects, salute them gently and swing around to the right and you will keep out of trouble. Better sit up and take notice.

City Election

The City of Clovis will hold an election on April 4th. It is imperative that the best men, who will stand four square for the best interests of our growing town, be elected.

There is an abundance of good material in Clovis for every office that is to be filled and it is hoped that no petty jealousies or cheap politics will enter into this election. This is the time when the entire citizenship of Clovis should unite. Will we do it?

Clovis Going "Wet"

Water may not be essential to salvation, but it is quite essential to a growing town like Clovis. Yes water and lots of it, hence the city dads have let the contract for another well. When this well is completed Clovis will have an ample supply of the choicest liquid in the world. After all Clovis don't seem to be going "dry."

Sacred Heart

Catholic Church

Sunday March 5th.

9 a. m. Mass, Sermon: "Object and Aim of the Church."

7:30 p. m. Catholic teaching regarding the Angels and Man and His Fall explained.

Every bit of knowledge added to what you got makes it a little bit more.

Theodosius Meyer, Rector.

Episcopal Church

(Rev. D. A. Sanford, Pastor)

Morning service with sermon and Holy Communion at 11 a. m. Subject: "The Greatest of These is Charity."

All are cordially invited.

PREPAREDNESS AS ADVOCATED BY PRESIDENT A FINE THING FOR MUNITION FACTORIES

Real Preparedness More Dependent on Patriotism of People Than Fighting Ability of Swash-bucklers or Protection of Big Naval Guns

Militarism is the Handmaiden of Plutocracy and the Upholder of Kings, But It Has no Place in the Free Institutions of American Republic

(By A. E. CURRIEN)

Since the question of preparedness is paramount in the minds of the people at the present time and will doubtless become one of the main issues in the coming presidential campaign, various writers of nation wide prominence having discussed it from every angle. That the nation is at the present time inadequately prepared for war is conceded by all who are familiar with the situation, but the best means to be adopted in making out the plan of preparedness is a question in which many differ.

Some advocate a larger navy with more and greater dreadnaughts than those of any possible foe or combination of foes. Others advocate the continental army plan and still others in preparedness along all these lines with the government ownership of munition plants. Whatever plan is finally adopted, it is certain that our defenses are weak and need strengthening. The continental army plan made great strides the other day when the house military committee reached an agreement on the outline of the army bill which is a compromise framed by Chairman Hay and advocated by Secretary Garrison and President Wilson. By this new arrangement the peace strength of the nation will be placed at 575,000 and in it the complete federation of the national guard will be substituted for the continentals.

The writer recently had the pleasure of hearing the pastor of the First Methodist Church in Albuquerque discuss the question of preparedness from the pulpit and in which he advocated a greater patriotism and the greater unity of the American people as the first line of defense and the REAL preparedness. In this we most heartily concur. He said that the armor plate people and the munition makers were in favor of preparedness (President Woodrow Wilson's statement that they were in no wise effecting the sentiment of the leaders, to the contrary notwithstanding), and just so long as this element continued to furnish the munition to nations and to dictate the prices, that

wars and rumors of wars would continue. As an example he cited the well known fact that just as soon as government ownership of munition plants was advocated by party leaders and congressmen, the armor plate manufacturers announced that in such an event, they would raise the price of plate \$200.00 a ton. This increase under present contracts and those authorized would amount to millions of dollars in excess of the present prices.

The laboring people of the nation fear the continental army plan with result in a militarism and that the army will be used to subjugate them in any differences with capitalistic interests just as was done in the great Colorado strike. There never was a case in which the military of this country was used in defense of the laboring interests, but always in behalf of capital. The point here is when the time comes that the American people can again become patriotically united and can agree among our selves, it will be the strongest weapon of preparedness. Just so long as the weak become weaker and the common people are oppressed by lack of proper governmental protection, there can be little patriotism and little preparedness. When the original thirteen colonies went to war with Great Britain for our liberty, the colonies were wholly unprepared and the latter had made every preparation known to warfare of those times. When the Spanish-American war broke out this country was wholly unprepared but Spain was supposed to be one of the best prepared nations on the face of the globe. In both instances we won. We won because there was a patriotism and a determination behind every move.

We agree with the eminent pastor in believing that the first line of preparedness should be in the proper administration of our laws, the proper treatment of the masses as well as the classes, and the appeal to the patriotic sentiment of the people and then, and not until then, will we establish unity which is the first line of defense.

Free Homesteads

If you are looking for a homestead, a ranch or Government land of any kind address Tate and Betts, Ricardo, N. M.

Charley Hart and wife of Portales, were in Clovis the first of the week. Mr. Hart is one of the big cattlemen of this section. He will soon move to this city we understand.

Nice front room, with board reasonable, at 220 N. Sheldon, if

The Elder's Tailor Shop has come out this week with a novel method of introducing their line of wares. A suit of clothes will be given away to the party drawing the lucky number, to be eligible to the drawing however a purchase card costing \$2.00 entitles the holder to three suits pressed in a month.

E. C. Chapman, of Hereford, was down to visit his son Leland Chapman and wife, the fore part of the week.

600 Head Hereford Cows

It is doubtful if the demand for real good cattle was ever stronger in this country than it is at this present time. The sure and safe route to success in this great and growing country is the live stock route, especially is this true if high grade cattle is handled.

More and more our people are coming to realize the fact that "scrub" cows do not pay. Consequently they are demanding better stuff, and this part of the country is being stocked with high grade cattle, the money making sort. True it costs a bit more to buy the high grade cattle but there is positively no comparison in the returns to the owners of the "scrub" cow and the well bred cow. It pays to get the best regardless of the difference in price.

This fact is patent, both to the dealers and the buyer hence we believe the dealers, of this section are trying to get better cattle for the buyers of this section. The News appreciating the vital worth of well bred cattle to the small stock farmer as well as to the big cattle man, is always pleased to make mention of the good bunches of cattle brought here. Six hundred head of young, high grade, Hereford cows were shipped into Farwell this week by Dunn & Harrison.

Cheer Up

Say, my boy! Cheer up. This is a glad, good old world when all of its sprints are considered. It pulls off some queer stunts, all too frequently for some of us. Fact is this old world kinder likes to wallow a guy in the mud it appears. But had you noticed, that it never fails to give the glad hand to the fellow who returns the compliment by pulling himself together, and wallowing it in the mud.

Cheer up, sonny. Get on the sunnyside of the street. Shoot at an eagle in the blue sky. It's just as easy on your popgun as to shoot at a bull frog in the mud.

Wants More Land

J. S. Johnson, of the Havener community, was a pleasant caller at the News office Wednesday. Mr. Johnson has been here three years and he is so well pleased that he is trying to get more land.

This is the method of most all those who have been in Curry county for any length of time. Perhaps nothing speaks better for the country than this. Those who have been here long enough to give Curry county a thorough test out are so enthusiastic over its future that they are buying more land.

A real estate man said to the News man the other day: "It is almost impossible to get as much as a section of land in a body, aside from the railroad land, as the farmers of the county are buying up the land adjoining them that can be bought."

Eugene V. Debbs

The Socialists have secured Hon. Eugene V. Debbs, one time candidate for President on the Socialist ticket and perhaps the most noted Socialist in America today, to speak in Clovis Saturday night April 15. The Elks Auditorium has been secured for the occasion.

More Than a Bank

There are banks that are just banks, and there are banks that are banks plus. That is institutions that are not cold business propositions, places to deposit your money or borrow money, but living, throbbing, friendly institutions; Banks that feel a vital, personal interest in the welfare of every man, woman and child. Every such institution is a vital factor in the up-building of a community. Such will be the Citizens' Bank, of Clovis, it is said.

In order that a bank may be more than a bank, the head of the institution must be more than a banker. His spirit, ideas, and ideals, must permeate, saturate and control every movement of the institution. The Citizens' Bank, it is said, will have more than a banker at its head, in the person of Mr. S. A. Jones. True he is a banker of more than fourteen years experience, filling the responsible position of Cashier of a strong bank in Kentucky when he was but twenty years old. He came to Curry county in 1907, and was in the banking business in Melrose for six years. Selling his interests there he came to Clovis and assumed active charge of The First National Bank in 1913.

Some months ago he sold his interests in the above mentioned bank and organized the Citizens' Bank. Mr. Jones' business life in Curry county, as well as in Kentucky, is an open book. He takes a keen interest in the welfare of man. He is a friend to man, therefore the bank, of which he is the active head, will be a friend to man. Hence it is a bank that is more than a bank.

The Citizens' Bank is the youngest banking institution in the country, yet one of the strongest, as Mr. Jones has associated about fifteen of the leading citizens in Clovis and Curry county with him. Among these are some of the wealthiest men in the State. It is said: "That the Citizens Bank will be as strong as the strongest, and its policy will be a strictly friendly one, and a safe business one."

Get the Best

I. J. Wilcoxon, of Portales, was a business visitor to Clovis Monday. Mr. Wilcoxon has been in the cattle business at Portales for a number of years and has learned from actual experience that it pays to have the best. He said to the News man: "I have recently received from Waterloo Iowa, a fine registered Holstein male. I am making a specialty of this grade of cattle, and they are certainly showing up fine in this country."

Editor Likes Clovis

Editor J. C. Wells, of the Headley Informer, was here the later part of last week and made this office a pleasant call.

Editor Wells said: "Clovis and the Clovis country looks awfully good to me, so much so that I am trying to make a deal for some more of this good land to add to what I already own here."

Auto Agency Located

The Miller Motor Car Co. has leased the Senator Owen building on West Grand Avenue, which will be used as a display room for the Dort and Chalmers cars. The building is being put in shape for this company and will be occupied in a few days.